second line from the last, after "animal" and before the semi-colon, delete the comma

Please add the following new claims:

The method according to claim 27, wherein said contacting is effected by applying said compound topically to the dermis of an animal by a pour-on or spot-on method.--

The method according to claim 17, wherein the animals are dogs or cats infested with fleas.--

The method according to claim 23, wherein said contacting is effected by applying said compound topically to the dermis of said dogs or cats by a pour-on or spot-on method.--

The method according to claim 23, wherein said contacting is effected by contacting the dermis of said dogs or cats with an article containing said compound.--

The method according to claim 1%, which is carried out on

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humans, and the humans are infected with lice.--

## CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge the required petition fee to Deposit Account No. 02-1445.

## **ADDITIONAL FEE**

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess to our Deposit Account No. 02-1445.

## **REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the amendments above and the following comments.

At the outset, Applicants wish to thank Examiner Robinson for holding up action on this case until this second preliminary amendment and the accompanying information disclosure statement could be filed.

The amendments above are self-explanatory, and are believed to advance the prosecution.

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